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ELECTION OF SPECIES

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 19, 2003, in which an election of species requirement for restriction has been applied. A one month period was set to respond to the Official Action.

In the election requirement, various elements were required to be elected. The requirement and the elected material follow:

antimicrobial agent - methylchloroisothiazolinone and methylisothiazolinone [commerically available as KATHON CG];

chelating agent - potassium citrate;

lower alkanol - ethanol;

a specific C₂-C₆(mono- or di-) alkylene glycol - 1,2 propylene glycol;

C2-C4 alkyl ether - dipropylene glycol n-butyl ether; and

C2-C6 alkylene glycol - 1,2-propylene glycol

The Examiner has also required a selection of the generic claims based upon the election. The application as filed was filed with 19 claims. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-5 and 7-19 are generic to the elected species.

Early and favorable consideration of the claims is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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